



NEW PLAN FOR SERIES GETS HEARING TONIGHT AT SANDLOT MEETING

By R. D. THOMAS.

An intersectional series, in which each section of the city would have representative teams, will be suggested at tonight's meeting in the Washington Times sports department at 8 o'clock, called for the purpose of determining what method the sandlot players will employ this season in deciding the city independent championships. Every independent sandlot in town is invited to attend. The Times sports department is on the twelfth floor of the Munsey building.

Three popular forms of competition have been suggested. Some favor a city series on the order of last year's, but starting in midsummer. Others would organize several leagues, and still others take kindly to the intersectional scheme. This latter has at least one advantage that is likely to appeal strongly. It would save much precious time, that time taken up in traveling long distances to the playing field.

Father Moore, of Holy Name, is a strong proponent of the intersectional series. He believes it would be practical to group the teams in each section of the city in separate series and then let the winners fight it out for the titles in intersectional games. Each section would have its midge, junior and unlimited class.

Many games were cut short last season by falling darkness, especially in those instances where teams were forced to travel across the city to reach the diamond. If the intersectional plan were adopted this trouble and loss of time would be obviated. The time problem is a serious one.

The Knickerbocker Club is busy at work on its new athletic field, located between Thirty-seventh and Thirty-ninth and Reservoir and R streets northwest. The club is appealing to Georgetown's citizens, and especially business men, to help them put over a big project.

In its drive for funds the club is using the slogan: "We are boosting Georgetown—why not boost us." And if the truth be told, the Knickerbocker have done much boosting for the city. For several years they have had one of the most progressive athletic organizations in the city, and have attracted many people to their baseball and football games in the old Georgetown hollow. They have done much to boost sandlot sports in Washington, and have given a helping hand to many worthy causes. By playing exhibition games the Knickerbockers have helped to raise money for the Casualty Hospital, Friends of Irish Freedom, Friendship House, the National Catholic Community House and others.

They are helping now to make stronger men of Georgetown's boys by fostering the Knickerbocker Juniors, youngsters ranging in age from twelve to sixteen years, who are not members of the Knickerbocker organization. These boys are permitted to use the Knickerbocker assembly hall, and are instructed in sports by experienced athletes of the club.

Then Knickerbocker Juniors, in line with the progressiveness of the big club, are on a membership drive. These lads are attracting considerable attention in Georgetown. By April 1, they expect to have fifty members. The young club is growing rapidly and every indication is that it will be represented by a fast baseball team.

All candidates for membership in the junior club and for places in the ball team are requested to report at the Knickerbocker clubhouse, 3265 N street northwest, at 7 p. m. Saturday.

Another young outfit in Georgetown, the Ottawa A. C., is planning big things. Twelve candidates were out for practice Sunday and more are expected next Sunday. The early candidates are Harting, Adams, Hanold, L. Hill, G. Hill, Krick, Murch, Pettis, Beall, Coupe, Brooks and Connolly.

The Langdon Cubs have joined the 15-16 year old club for Saturday and Sunday games. Among those seeking places on the team are Thompson, Eckloff, Geiser, Murphy, Coleman, Deaking, Walton, Meader, Murray, Hilton, Edmunds, Finelli, Ross, Spittle and Gunther. Lawrence Murphy, phone number North 8796, is the team's manager.

The Kellar Athletic Club has just been organized at Kellar Memorial Church among youngsters averaging fourteen years of age. Stuart Freed should be phoned at Lincoln 2580 for bookings. The Kellar Club has sixteen members. Their names: Elmer Hancock, Arthur Fisher, Carl Hoffman, William Wagner, Russell Wolford, Frank Guther, Judson Williams, Williams Evans, Ray Shikes, Harry Grant, Eagles Ton, Arthur Boyd, Edward Wilke and Henry Brandoff. Stuart Freed is the manager and Eagles Ton the captain.

Another new junior organization, the Mohican A. C., is announced. The team averages eighteen years of age and is managed by Nicholas Valentine, Room 327, Department of Justice.

The Potomac League will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock tonight in the parish hall, near Fourteenth and V streets southeast. Bernard Reagan has been named temporary chairman and Charles S. Thomas temporary secretary. At the last meeting a committee was appointed to interview and invite the Mohawk, Mercury, Standard Oil and Manhattan clubs to join the league.

St. Teresa, Naval Air Station, Seaman Gunner School, Bolling Field and the Leviathan A. C. were represented at the last meeting. It is planned to have an eight-club league and stage the games on the new diamond south of the Anacostia bridge. Permanent officers will be elected tonight and other business transacted.

Those independent teams desiring out-of-town games should get in touch with the Annapolis athletic club, through J. Judd, athletic director, at 480 Chesapeake avenue, Eastport, Md. The club is chartered under the laws of Maryland. Judd is seeking to book Saturday games away and Sunday games at home and offers a guarantee to teams visiting Eastport.

The Clarendon A. C. will hold a meeting tonight in the Clarendon engine house.

Says "SKILLET" Finn, Esq. Herds of Raw Baseball Players Daily Roam Over Texas Plains and Semi-arid Florida Everglades.

By KIRK MILLER.

AGING around Southern ball fields like sponges with legs, athletes are trying to sweat 'emself down to pigmy size.

Herds of raw material are roving over Texas plains and Florida everglades, most of it too uncivilized for domestic consumption.

Torrents of rookies have flooded unsuspecting tropical villages, hoping to survive the holocaust due to arrive later.

Managers have announced it will be a case of the survival of the fittest, with fits being thrown on all sides.

Most of the hold-outs have removed conscientious objections and chinned 'emself on the dotted line. Those who have not yet filled out warrants have them home trying them over on the piano.

Heavy Jack seems to be the outstanding obstacle. Malcontents declare they can't run bases properly without plenty of monetary ballast.

Baseball season is just around the corner. Any day now it can be expected to snap out of involuntary state of hypnotic catalepsy.

Twenty-five player limit is likely to force out some of the best ivory ever dragged loose from bushes by trained elephant guides.

In its unpolished state this precious metal is very deceiving. In the frigid lair where it is mined, it sparkles like burgundy. But under the spell of competition it looks quite dumb and hopeless.

Winter league phenoms look like Jack Dempsey until they get to dodging their own shadows among the Dixie suns. Then they resemble dishonored check drawn against insufficient funds.

Between nervousness, stage-fright, inexperience, and similar excuses their days in the main ring are numbered like condemned men.

Jack wants to win this scrap if he never wins another," continued Engel. "He has it in for Gibbons and says he is going to give him the pasting of his life. Harry has knocked out mugs that went the route with Gibbons. He beat other fellows that Tom couldn't do anything with."

Both fighters are not saying much but sawing wood. Gibbons and Greb are getting into shape at local gymnasiums.

CRAVATH SHOWED MERCY TO THE POOR ROOTERS

Lee Meadows, the bespectacled monarch of baseball, is a raconteur, which is baseball for story-teller of a high order. One of his best bits relates to the Honorable Cactus Cravath, who recently left baseball when he said he was all through with managing Salt Lake City.

"My control had been terrible," said Meadows, "and I wanted to pitch to get it back again. One day I was in there, and the other fellows got to me and as I said I couldn't handle the ball the way that I wanted."

"Finally Cravath signed for me to go in. I walked to the bench mad to by eyebrows. 'Why didn't you let me stay in there?' I yelled at Cravath. 'You know I want to get control and the ball game is lost anyhow?' Cravath took a shot with his tobacco gun at a spot nearby and growled:

"Don't you think there's a lot of people out there who want to get home to supper?"

JOE TURNER TO WRESTLE SHARKEY TOMORROW

Having suffered no ill effects from his match Monday night with Pete Dallas, Joe Turner is in excellent condition for his bout with Jack Sharkey to be held at the Capitol Theater tomorrow night in connection with the regular performance.

Sharkey was introduced to the fans at the Dallas-Turner match and while he looks to be considerably heavier than the champion, the latter's experience and condition are expected to offset any difference in weight.

Depends on Hitting.

Eddie Goebel's future with the Griffs depends upon his hitting. If he develops ability to smite the pill he may be the regular left fielder under the warm weather is well advanced.

Kid is Hustling.

Young Brillheart, the Roanoke College southpaw, is hustling to land a job with the Griffs at Tampa. He seems to have all the classic form of a big leaguer in practice. The practice games will soon show his real caliber.

He Seeks Title.

Pekin Kid Herman, who has not been heard of for some time, is on a campaign for Johnny Buff's title. He claims to have boxed 100 contests and never has been knocked out.

Bush Goes Direct.

Donie Bush goes direct from his home in Indianapolis to Tampa, Fla., to join the Griffins.

Eddie's Friends "A TRAGIC MOMENT" By Jean Knott



NEWSPAPER BOWLING CHAMP DEFENDS CROWN TOMORROW

By R. D. THOMAS.

Ethelbert F. Cahoon, otherwise known as "Bubbles," and distinguished among bowlers as the champion of Washington newspapermen, will begin the defense of his title tomorrow afternoon at the Recreation in the first round of the newspapermen's annual elimination tournament.

Cahoon's road is likely to prove a rocky one, although his most stubborn foe last year, Dave McCarthy, of the Evening Star, failed to show much class in games rolled yesterday. Dave shot a 299 set, but this wasn't as good as could have been expected of the veteran.

Johnny Baum, McCarthy's teammate and rival in the fierce race for the individual championship of the newspaper league, recently ended, easily qualified yesterday for the second round. Baum bumped over 324 maples and led the field of sixteen contestants.

Jimmy Boyd, The Times team captain, still holds the high set honors of the tournament with 332. Roy Corwin nosed out Irving Belt for high game honors yesterday with 122, against 121.

Sixteen more bowlers will compete tomorrow. Here they are: Hughes, P. A. Carter, and P. H. Berrang, of The Times; Alley No. 2—W. E. Nicholson, C. McWilliamson, Lee Summers, and C. Parker, of The Herald; Alley No. 3—R. T. Britt, W. C. Dunnall, A. Clark, and J. Reilly, of The Post; Alley No. 4—J. E. Ellett, W. Isman, J. Curtin, and H. R. Hendley, of The Star.

Yesterday's scores: Dave McCarthy, 299; R. E. Corwin, 303; Roy Whitford, 295; J. Baum, 324; A. Gill, 249; A. C. Nelson, 264; P. P. Sutton, 302; W. H. Easton, 303; H. S. Sutton, 238; R. D. Morgan, 278; C. A. Ellis, 258; R. B. Withde, 252; J. I. Belt, 291; C. V. Belt, 278; Homer Aloysius Dooley, 219.

Can fat women bowl better than lean ones? The question was decided, temporarily anyway, in favor of the lean women in a match at the Recreation yesterday, in which women of the Sales Tax division, Internal Revenue Bureau, were opponents.

The Misses Kennon, Steynen, Tillston and Jordan, and Mrs. Fry, of the Jack Spratt type, won two of three games rolled with the Misses Clark, Christensen, Smith, O'Brien and Mrs. Norfleet, who composed the fat team. The scores of both teams as a whole were skinny. Miss Smith leading the fats with a high game of 92 and the best set of 266, and Miss Tillston rolling well for the leans with a total of 247 and high game of 89.

Fat, lean, and betwixt and between girls fought an important bowling battle in the Washington Girls' League last night on the City Postoffice runways. The Bureau girls secured what looks to be a safe grip on the championship by trimming the Nationals, their most feared rivals, two out of three games.

FARMER LODGE IS HUGE HEAVYWEIGHT SLUGGER

Farmer Lodge, who broke Paul Sampson's jaw recently in New York, used to be handled by Tom O'Rourke. He is a big fellow about the size of Jess Willard, 6 feet 5 inches, weighing some 225 pounds.

Pratt to Join Red Sox.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 8.—Derrill Pratt, Boston American second baseman and between seasons an athletic coach at the University of Michigan, will leave here about March 10 for Hot Springs, Ark., to join the Red Sox for spring training.

Giants to Play Omaha.

OMAHA, Neb., March 8.—The Omaha Western League Club will meet New York National League players in two practice games April 1 and 2 at Victoria, Tex., where the Omaha team is scheduled to arrive March 8 for spring practice.

He's Still In Ring.

Spike Robson, the British lightweight, well-known here a few years back, is still boxing in the old country and doing fairly well. He has a promising young lightweight whom he may bring to America when the weather gets warmer.

He's Veteran Now.

Hank Shanks is starting his eleventh year as a member of the Washington club this season. While a real veteran, as the youngest.

CORNELL'S TRACK STARS FIT FOR CORNELL MEET

ITHACA, N. Y., March 8.—Although trials for places on the Cornell team, which will compete in the indoor intercollegiate in New York Saturday, are scheduled for today, Jack Moakley has pretty well determined on the men who will carry the burden for the Ithacans. The athletes who starred in the Penn State meet last Saturday night will constitute the bulk of the Red and White strength.

The fine performance of David Kimball in defeating both Barron and Hile, the Penn State hurdlers, over both the 75-yard low and 75-yard high hurdles stamps him as one of the most promising hurdlers Moakley has had in several years. Whether he will be able to duplicate his feat against Barron again is a question that only the meet can solve, but there is no question that this sophomore is destined to become a big factor in collegiate meets of the next few years.

Another sophomore surprise is Kirby, the sophomore miler, who put up such a great race against Larry Shields in the mile run. Shields beat him by just a yard which was going some under all the circumstances. Shields' time was 4:21 3-5.

Kirby was not more than two-fifth second behind him, and a mark of 4:22 for a youngster is considered pretty good. The Cornell flash lacks experience, and against older runners he will be at a disadvantage, but after a few more races he is likely to be able to take care of himself.

Nick Carter's work in the half-mile—he covered the eight laps here in 1:58 4-5—indicates that he is rapidly rounding into form and will be a dangerous man. The improved running of Cook also pleases the Ithacans. This chap, who finished fifth in the half at the last intercollegiate, came out for practice late and is short of work. He uncovered a powerful sprint in the race against Carter and Shields, however, and had the race gone five yards more he would probably have passed the Penn State crack, too.

That Lovejoy, Moakley's best sprinter, is also rounding into shape is proved by his recent performances. He is a tall, powerful chap, with a staunch sprint at the finish, and he ought to be a factor in the hundred-yard dash and perhaps in the 220-yard event.

Just now the Ithacans seem to be weak in the 440, the only run on the program where they are not up to snuff. Chapman is showing pretty fair form, but he has never been rated as a top notcher. John, who ought to be the fastest man of the bunch, is not yet in condition to stand the gaff. It is doubtful if he will come through in time for Saturday.

Robert Brown, the intercollegiate champion in the two-mile run, is stepping some these days, but he has his hands full being Norman Brown, his running mate. Robert covered the sixteen laps here last Saturday in 9:28, which was good going considering the number of turns.

The Cornell one-mile relay team will be chosen from Righter, John, Chapman, Crozier, Hennings, Thornhill, and Lovejoy. The two-mile team will be chosen from Carter, Cook, Conradi, Rauch, Strickler, and one or two of the youngsters.

The principal Cornell entries in the sprints: Chapman, Crozier and John in the 440; Carter, Cook and Rauch in the half-mile; Kirby and Harper in the mile; Norman and Robert Brown in the two-mile; Kimball and Stone in the hurdles; Nichols, Lathrop, Garden, and possibly Stack in the high jump; Kimball and Nichols in the broad jump; Gouinlock, Atkinson and Stevens in the pole vault, and Gouinlock, Wager, Tobey and Betty in the weights.

Jersey Dooms It.

First Massachusetts doomed the idea of having Wills meet Dempsey in Boston, and now New Jersey, limiting ringside seats to \$15, kills all hope of having the tussle at Jersey City. The boxing game simply must come back to normalcy.

Brower Busy Guy.

Turkey Brower has been so busy this spring that he has twice been delayed in his getaway for Tampa to join the Griffins.

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